**ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO ECUADOR (SECOND BATCH)**

**GERMANY**

* Regarding the overcrowding of prisons, how and when will the Ecuadorian government take measures to create humane conditions in order to guarantee the health and mental integrity of detainees?
* Which measures will the Ecuadorian government put into place to avoid and prevent excessive use of force by police against protestors, in particular representatives of indigenous communities, and to hold those responsible accountable for human rights violations?
* Violence against women, children and juveniles alarmingly increased during the pandemic, including in institutions such as schools. Which measures is Ecuador currently examining to prevent further occurrences and hold those responsible accountable?

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

* Credible NGO reporting indicates that the situation of human rights defenders, particularly that of environmental defenders, remains precarious, including the occurrence of arbitrary detentions, threats, and harassment, along with the oppression of indigenous communities. How is the GoE working to address these threats? Particularly, how is the GoE working to promote and protect the work of human rights defenders?

**CANADA**

* What steps is Ecuador taking to implement victim/survivor-centered health and legal services, particularly for victims of sexual and gender-based violence?